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Prophet Dawud

Dawud descended from the tribes of Banu Israil. He lived with his family in the land of Canaan.

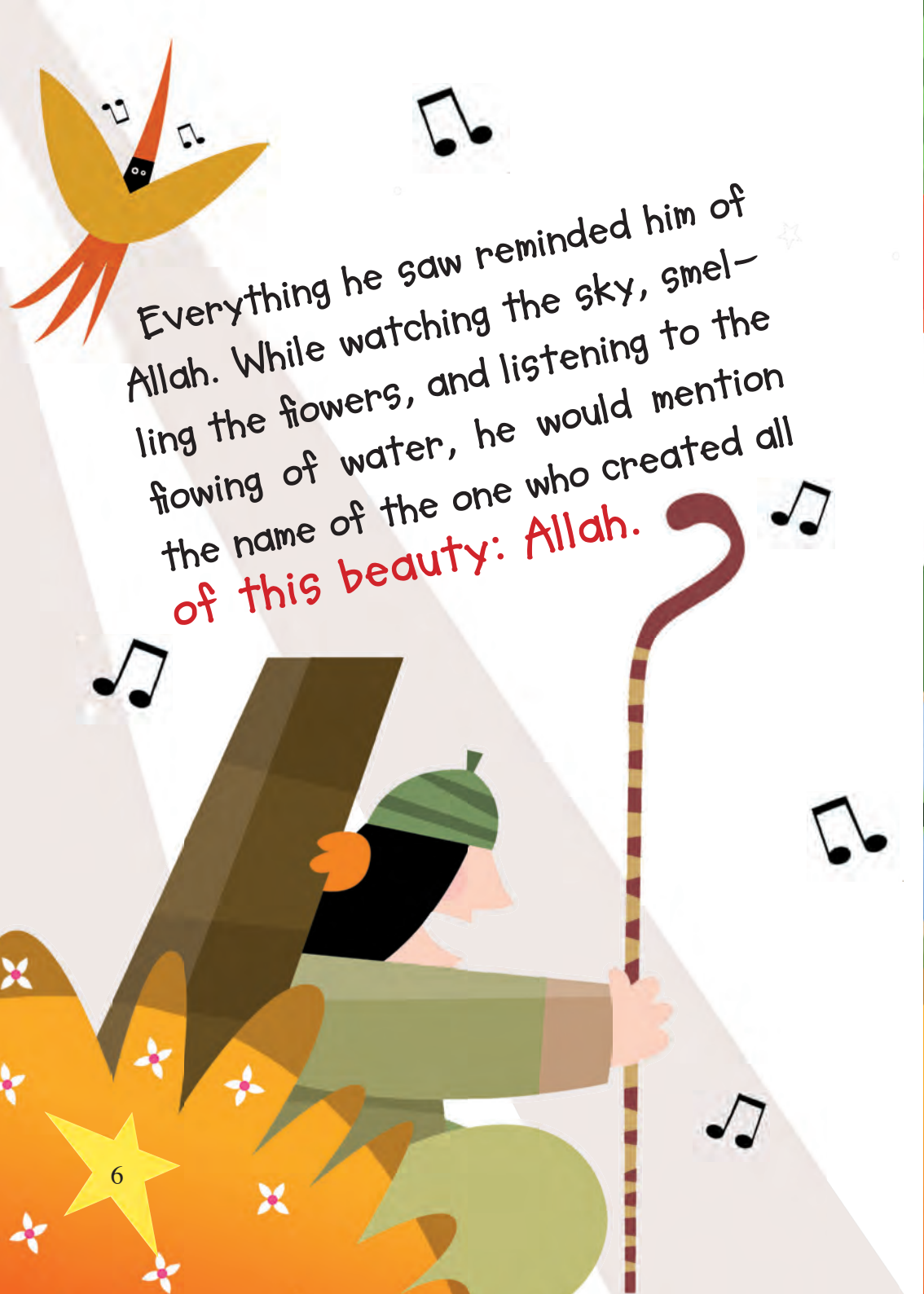
Dawud was the most humble and calm of all of his brothers. He never spoke without thinking and he never engaged in useless acts. Because he was so trustworthy his father, Yassa, allowed

Dawud to look after the family's sheep.



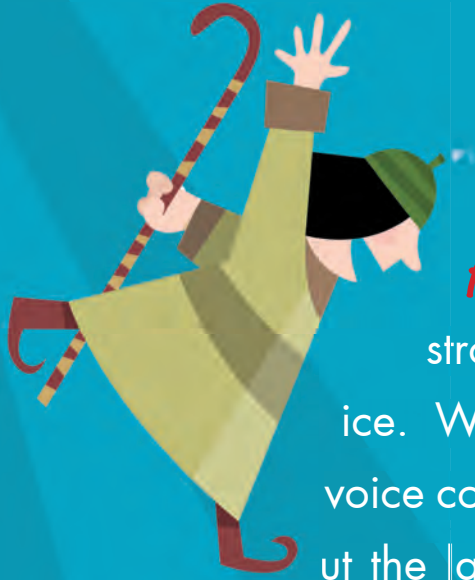
Dawud enjoyed his job as a shepherd. Being out in the fields, he knew about all the plants and language of the animals.





Everything he saw reminded him of Allah. While watching the sky, smelling the flowers, and listening to the flowing of water, he would mention the name of the one who created all of this beauty: Allah.





Allah gave Dawud a strong and beautiful voice. Whenever he sang, his voice could be heard throughout the land. Whenever Dawud sang his songs the whole of nature would sing along. The little birds would come flying, flapping their wings around Dawud's head. The tall grass would dance to and fro in the breeze. The sheep would all gather around him. Whenever people heard any beautiful voice they would say:

"It's got to be Dawud's voice!"



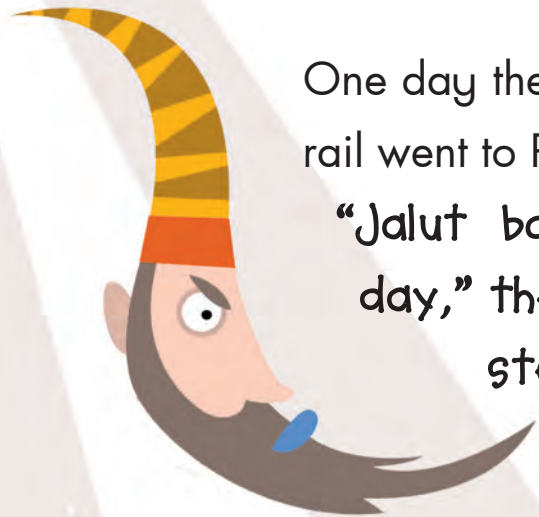


In those days a cruel ruler lived in the land. His name was Jalut of the Philistines. Jalut was a brutal leader and his armies constantly attacked the tribes of Banu Israil.

The Banu Israil did not have the power to stand out against Jalut and his army.

★ They were helpless. Every day they had to endure suffering and torture. Only a powerful king could rescue them from this awful situation.





One day the leaders of Banu Is-
rail went to Prophet Samuel.

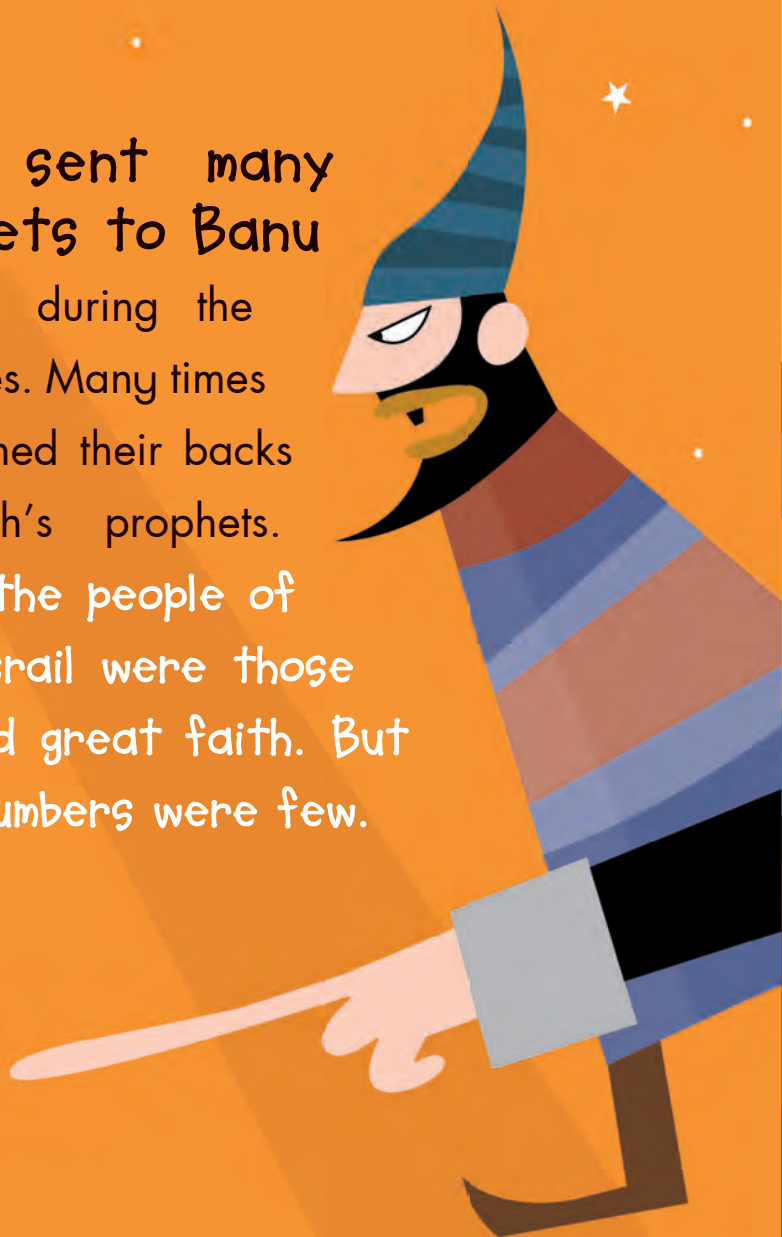
“Jalut bothers us every
day,” they explained. “He
steals our property
and he drives
us out of our
houses. Send to us a king, and
we will fight in the way of Allah.”

Prophet Ismail knew Banu Isra-
il very well. When they were in troub-
le, they promised everything, but when
things became easy they forgot their
promises quickly.

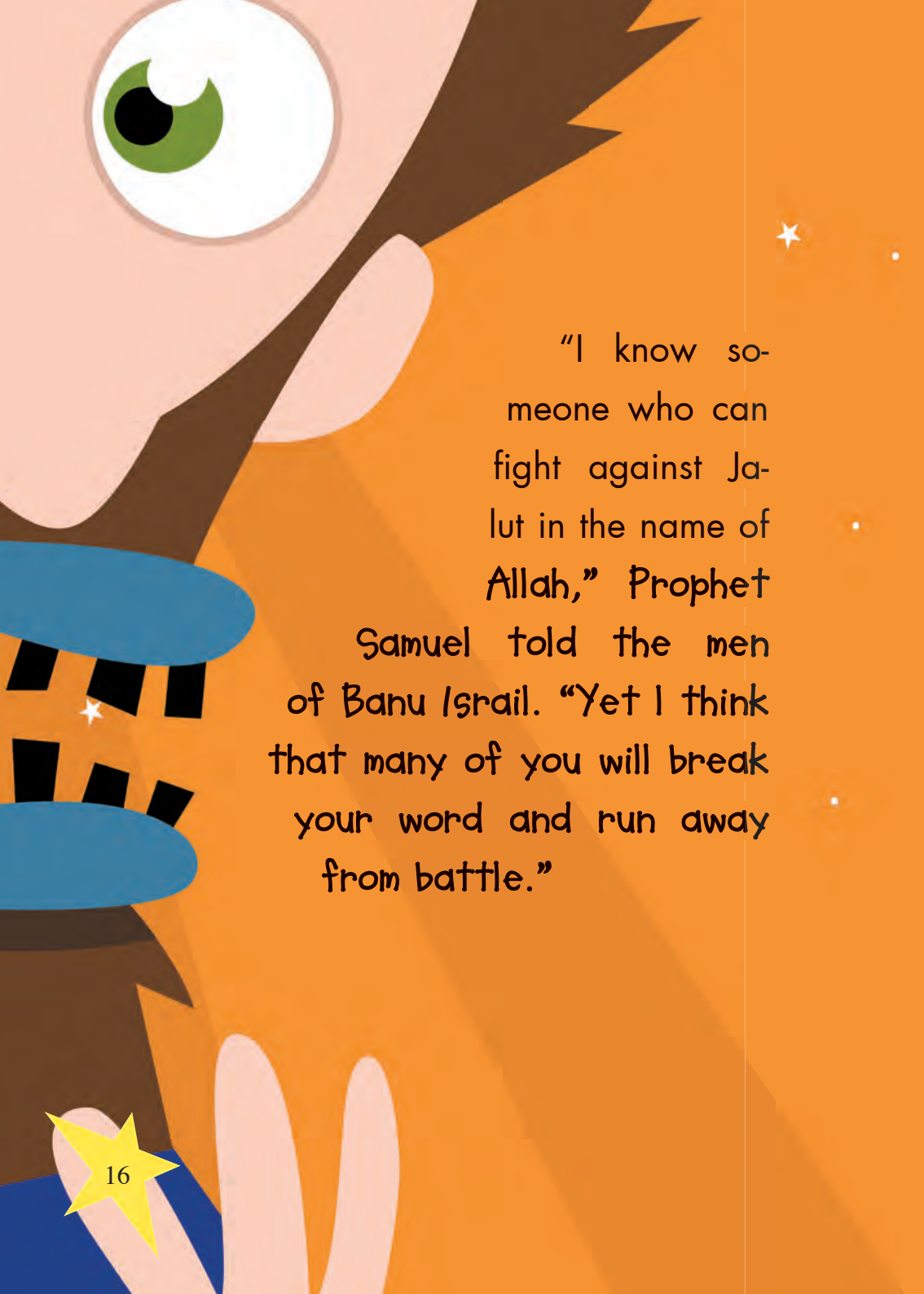


Allah sent many prophets to Banu Israil during the bad times. Many times they turned their backs to Allah's prophets.

- Among the people of
- ★ Banu Israil were those who had great faith. But their numbers were few.







"I know someone who can fight against Jallut in the name of Allah," Prophet Samuel told the men of Banu Israil. "Yet I think that many of you will break your word and run away from battle."



★ The leaders of Banu Israil frowned when they heard these words.

"We have been chased away from our houses," they replied with annoyance. "Our properties have been stolen. Our people enslaved. How could we run away from a fight?"